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DEPARTMENT OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND COMPETITION**NOTICE 2793 OF 2024****INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION****CUSTOMS TARIFF APPLICATIONS****LIST 06/2024**

The International Trade Administration Commission (herein after referred to as ITAC or the Commission) has received the following application concerning the Customs Tariff. Any objection to or comment on this representation should be submitted to the Chief Commissioner, ITAC, Private Bag X753, Pretoria, 0001. Attention is drawn to the fact that the rate of duty mentioned in this application is that requested by the applicant and that the Commission may, depending on its findings, recommend a lower or higher rate of duty.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

The submission of confidential information to the Commission in connection with customs tariff applications is governed by section 3 of the Tariff Investigations Regulations, which regulations can be found on ITAC's website at <http://www.itac.org.za/documents/R.397.pdf>.

These regulations require that if any information is considered to be confidential, then a non-confidential version of the information must be submitted, simultaneously with the confidential version. In submitting a non-confidential version the regulations are strictly applicable and require parties to indicate:

- ❑ Each instance where confidential information has been omitted and the reasons for confidentiality;*
- ❑ A summary of the confidential information which permits other interested parties a reasonable understanding of the substance of the confidential information; and*
- ❑ In exceptional cases, where information is not susceptible to summary, reasons must be submitted to this effect.*

This rule applies to all parties and to all correspondence with and submissions to the Commission, which unless clearly indicated to be confidential, will be made available to other interested parties.

The Commission will disregard any information indicated to be confidential that is not accompanied by a proper non-confidential summary or the aforementioned reasons.

If a party considers that any document of another party, on which that party is submitting representations, does not comply with the above rules and that such deficiency affects that party's ability to make meaningful representations, the details of the deficiency and the reasons why that party's rights are so affected must be submitted to the commission in writing forthwith (and at the latest 14 days prior to the date on which that party's submission is due).

Failure to do so timeously will seriously hamper the proper administration of the investigation, and such party will not be able to subsequently claim an inability to make meaningful representations on the basis of the failure of such other party to meet the requirements.

ITAC SELF-INITIATED INVESTIGATION FOR THE POSSIBLE CREATION OF A FULL DUTY REBATE PROVISION FOR COPPER SULPHATE USED IN THE MANUFACTURE OF ANIMAL FEED, AS FOLLOWS:

Rebate of the full duty on copper sulphates, classifiable under tariff subheading 2833.25 used in the manufacture of preparations of a kind used in animal feeding in such quantities, at such times and subject to such conditions as the International Trade Administration Commission may allow by specific permit, provided the product is not available in the SACU market.

ENTITY:

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REASONS FOR THE SELF-INITIATED INVESTIGATION:

ITAC Report No. 675: Increase in the rate of customs duty on sulphates; alums; peroxosulphates (persulphates): of copper, classifiable under tariff subheading 2833.25 from free of duty to 10 per cent *ad valorem*, was implemented by the South African Revenue Services ("SARS") on 20 September 2024.

The then Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition took cognisance of the unintentional consequential impact on the animal feed manufacturing sector, who use copper sulphate in their production processes, once the increased duty is implemented, and subsequently requested that ITAC conduct an expedited investigation regarding the possible creation of a rebate facility for copper sulphate used in the manufacture of animal feed.

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Representation should be submitted to the above ITAC officials within **two (2) weeks** of the date of this notice.